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Kuskokwim Bay

(NOAA Chart 16300)



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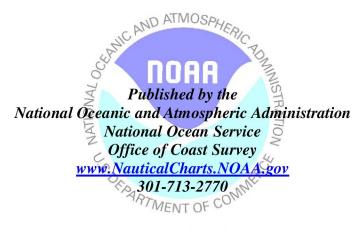
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[Coast Pilot 9, Chapter 8 excerpts] (254) Cape Peirce (58°38.0'N., 161°45.0'W.), of moderate height and symmetrical form, is 22 miles W of the S end of Hagemeister Island, and 15 miles SE of Cape Newenham. A shoal area, with depths of 2 to 3 fathoms over it and possibly less, is reported to extend some distance W from the cape. Depths of 19 fathoms, about 7 miles WSW of the cape, were found outside the charted 20-fathom curve. Depths of 10 fathoms are found 2 miles S of the

cape, and good anchorage in 10 fathoms is found inside **Shaiak Island**, (see chart 16300), just E of the cape. There are reports of good anchorage, sheltered from N weather, in the bight NW of Cape Peirce. To make the anchorage from E, give Cape Peirce a berth of about 3 miles and steer **009**° for the junction of the NW end of the sand beach with the rocky shores; select anchorage at will off the sand beach. The approaches from W are clear except for the above-mentioned shoal.

(255) Cape Peirce is an important resting area (haulout) for Pacific walrus and nesting area for seabirds. Operating a boat in a manner which results in disturbing, harassing, herding, hazing or driving of walrus is prohibited under provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act. To ensure that walrus are not disturbed, marine vessel operators are requested to avoid transiting or anchoring within 0.5 mile of the Cape Peirce walrus haulout.

(256) **Kuskokwim Bay** and **Kuskokwim River** open into the Bering Sea N of the entrance to Bristol Bay. The bay, filled with many flats, and hard steep-to shoals, is entered between Cape Newenham and **Cape Avinof**, 93 miles NW.

(263) Cape Newenham is the landfall for this region, and can be approached close-to with deep water. It is the end of a peninsula formed by a series of rough sawtoothed mountains. These mountains terminate in a level plateau that forms the immediate cape. In S weather a heavy sea and tide rips occur off Cape Newenham. In 1981, during heavy N winds, the NOAA Ship MILLER FREEMAN found a good anchorage in a small cove on the S side of the cape about 0.4 mile offshore S of Jagged Mountain in 10 fathoms, sand and mud bottom. Satisfactory anchorage for S or E weather can be had in about 8 fathoms off the small cove on the N side of the cape and about 3.5 miles from its outer end. An aero radiobeacon (58°39.4'N., 162°04.4'W.) is shown from the N side about 3 miles E from the outer end of the cape. About 1.3 miles ESE of the aero radiobeacon is a parabolic antenna.

(265) **Jagged Mountain** is a well-defined peak, the highest of the Cape Newenham group. Viewed from N, its slopes appear jagged. (266) **Security Cove**, 9 miles ENE of Cape Newenham, is a good anchorage except with NW winds; the usual summer gales are SE. The bottom is even and shoals gradually. The best anchorage in 3½ fathoms, mud bottom, is about 0.8 mile NE of Castle Rock and on the range of Castle Rock and the first promontory SW. Water can be obtained from a stream which enters the cove. There is also good anchorage in 2 fathoms with good holding ground in the middle of the bight on the SW side of Castle Rock. This anchorage is less affected by the ground swell making along the coast from Cape Newenham than the anchorage in Security Cove.

(267) **Castle Rock**, the SW entrance point of Security Cove, is a small prominent headland, 260 feet high, joined to the land by a low neck. At the NE entrance point of Security Cove is a conspicuous pinnacle rock, 169 feet high, covered with light tundra.

(268) Chagvan Mountain, between Security Cove and Chagvan Bay, is smooth shaped and terminates in two high rounded knobs.

(269) **Chagvan Bay** has a narrow shoal entrance. Inside it is very shoal and cut up by bars that are bare at low water.

(270) **Red Mountain**, just S of Goodnews Bay, is a reddish color and conspicuous. From N it appears as a long ridge with the highest part at its N end.

(271) Goodnews Bay is shoal except for a channel with depths ranging from 1¼ to 12 fathoms that leads through the entrance to a point about 1 mile inside. This channel affords good anchorage, either in the middle of the entrance or up to 0.8 mile inside the bay on a line approximately NE of the S tangent of North Spit. The diurnal range of tide is 8.9 feet. Inside the entrance the strength of the tidal currents reaches a maximum of about 2.5 knots in a direction parallel to the axis of the channel. (See Tidal Current Tables for predictions.) Along the NE shore of South Spit the ebb current is very strong, and during the flood an eddy sets N along this shore. The holding ground is good. Small craft can select from the chart a place that affords the best shelter. A restricted anchorage for small vessels is about 1 mile S of the S entrance point, but local knowledge is necessary for its use. The sea from the outside is broken by the shoals off the entrance and does not reach the anchorage. With S or E winds, tide rips dangerous for small craft occur in the channel. The spits at the entrance are shingle and steep-to.

HEIGHTS Heights in feet.

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NOTE E

Buoys in this area mark best water. Charted hydrography is out of date.

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For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

NOTE B

The deep draft channel from Kuskokwim Bay Buoy 12 (59°53'41.7"N., 162°15'22.3"W.) northward to Bethel is marked by about 30 red or green oil drum buoys during the season of navigation.

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to

CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution. Station positions are shown thus:

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NOTE C

Mariners are requested to avoid transiting or anchoring within a ½ mile of Cape Newenham due to large concentrations of marine mammals and sea birds at this site.

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83) which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 2.793° southward and 8.104° westward to agree with this chart

NOTE A

NOTE A Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 9. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notices to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 17th Coast Quard District Juneau, Alaska, or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Appropriate Alaska.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

Mercator Projection Scale 1:200,000 at Lat 59°20'N North American Datum of 1983 (World Geodetic System 1984)

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 9 for important supplemental information.

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ALITHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service.
Charting and Geodetic Services with additional data from the U.S. Coast

Additional information can be obtained at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

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TIDAL INFORMATION

Place	Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)			
Name (LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water	Extreme Low Water
Goodnews Bay Ent (59°03'N/ 161°49'W) Eek Channnel (59°45'N/ 162°15'W) Apokak Cr. Entrance (60°08'N/ 162°10'W)	12.3	feet 6.8 10.2 9.9	feet 0.6 0.5 0.5	feet -3.0 -3.0 -3.0

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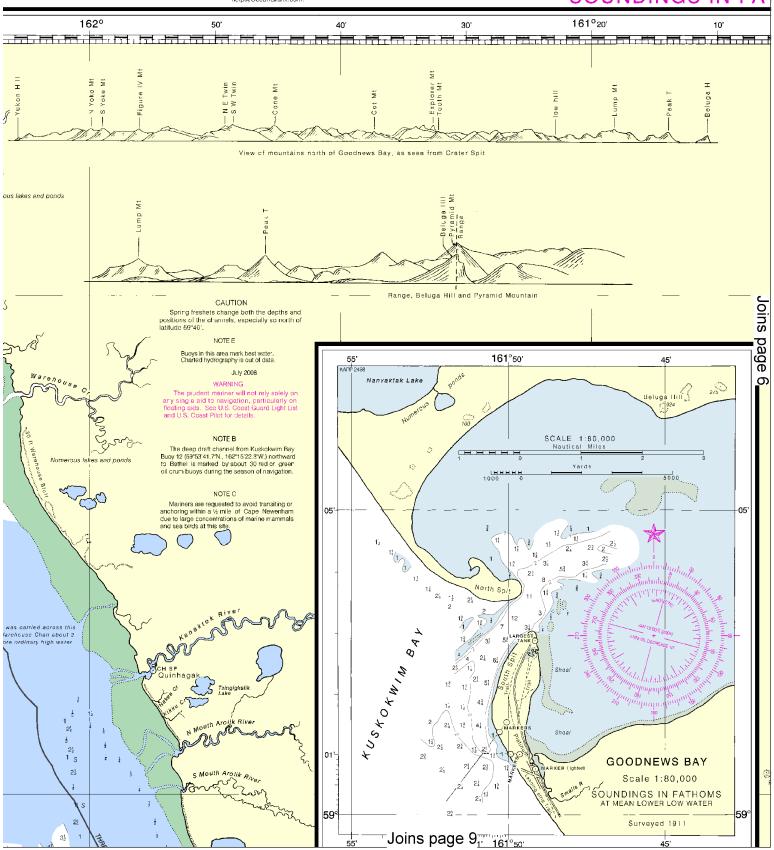
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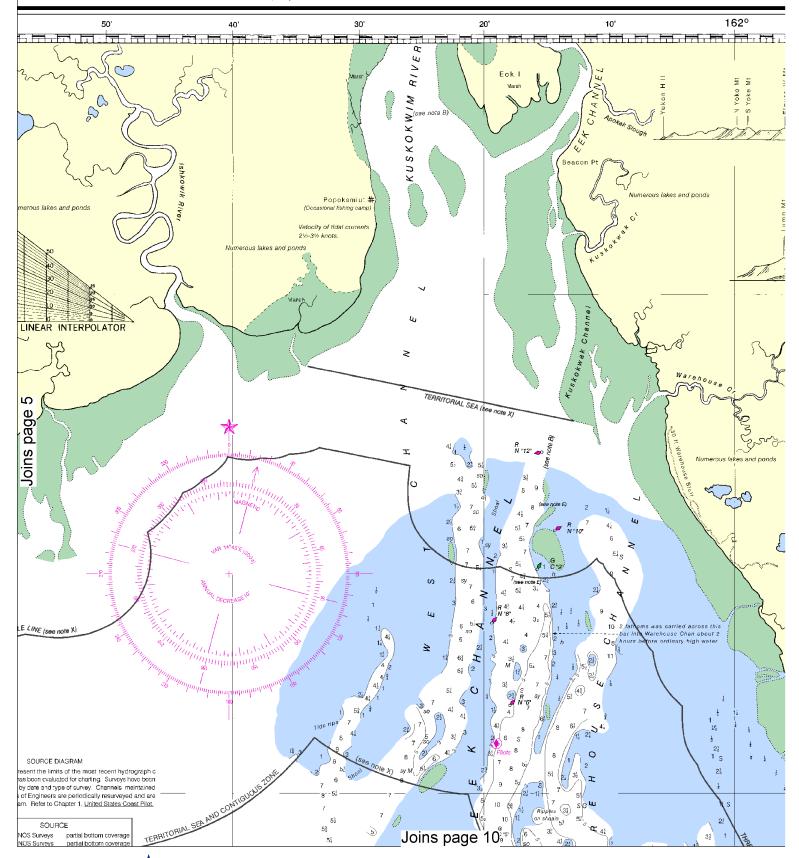


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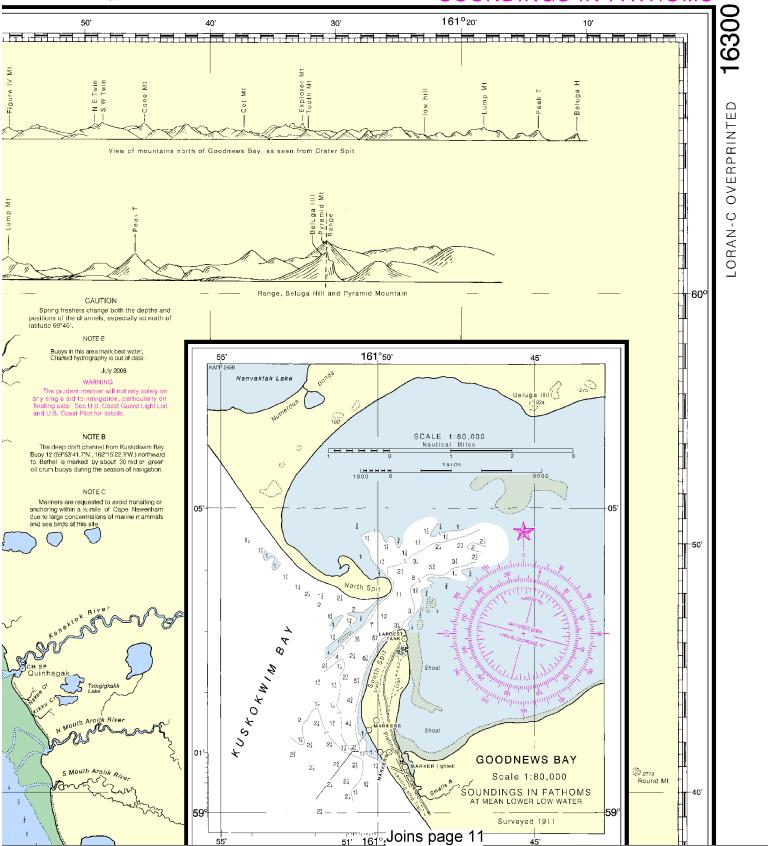




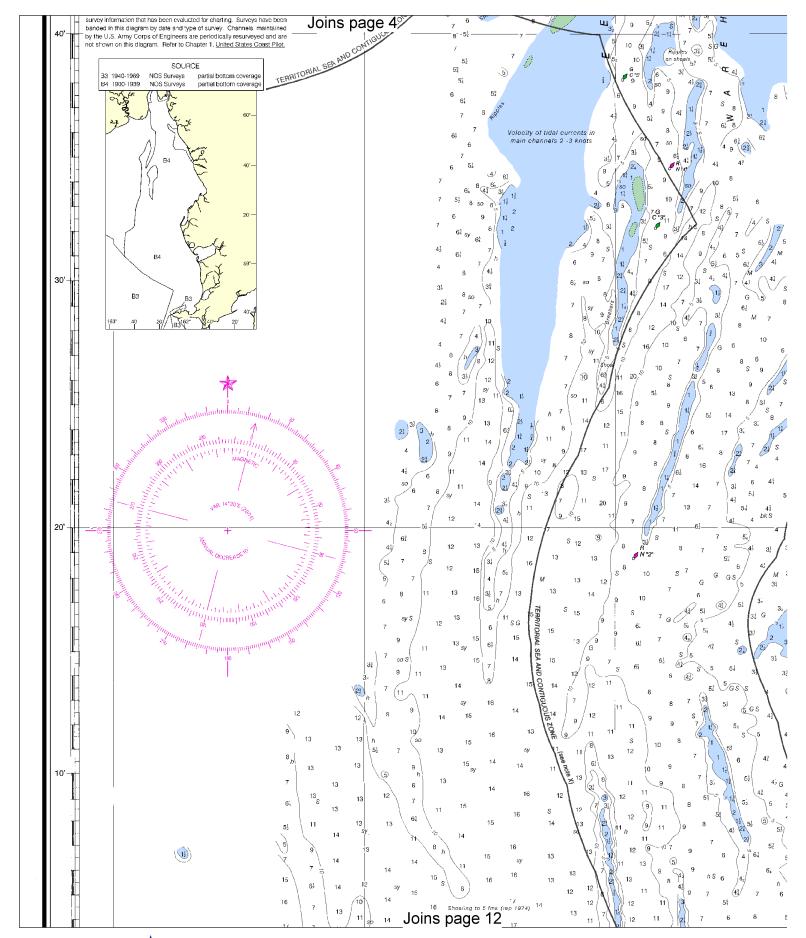


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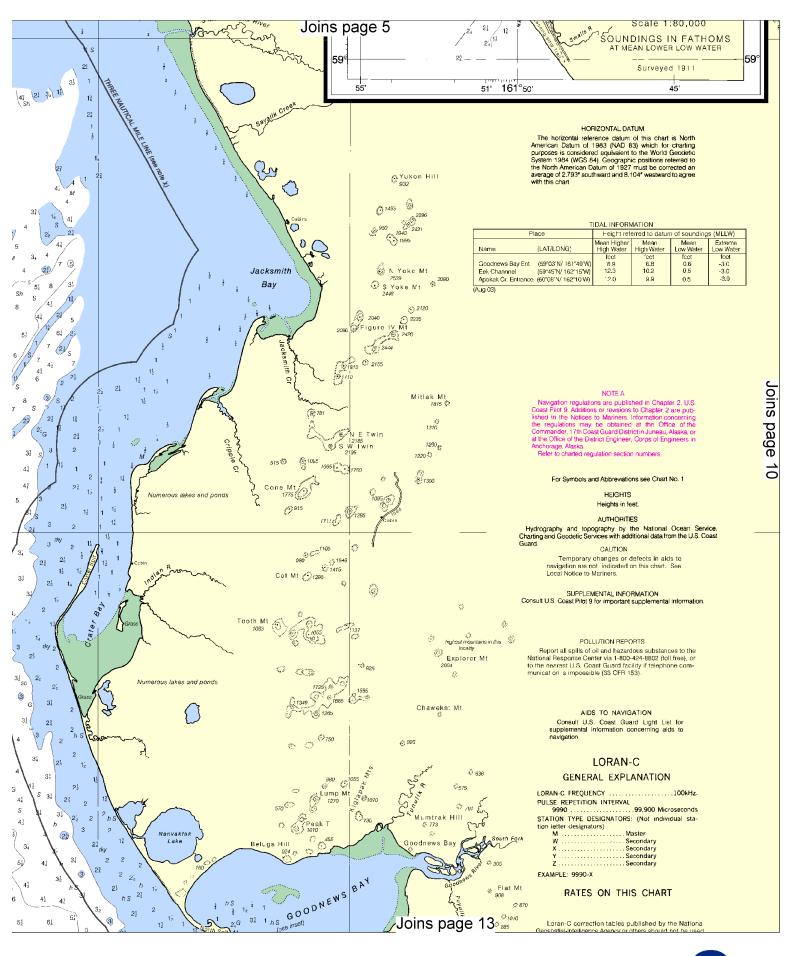


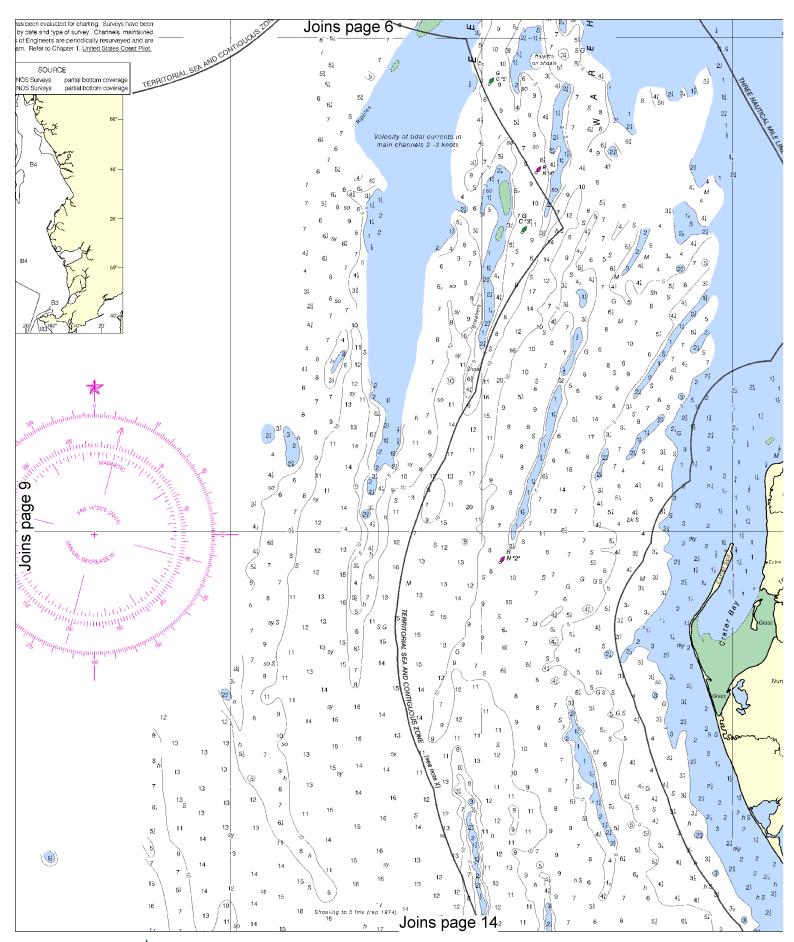






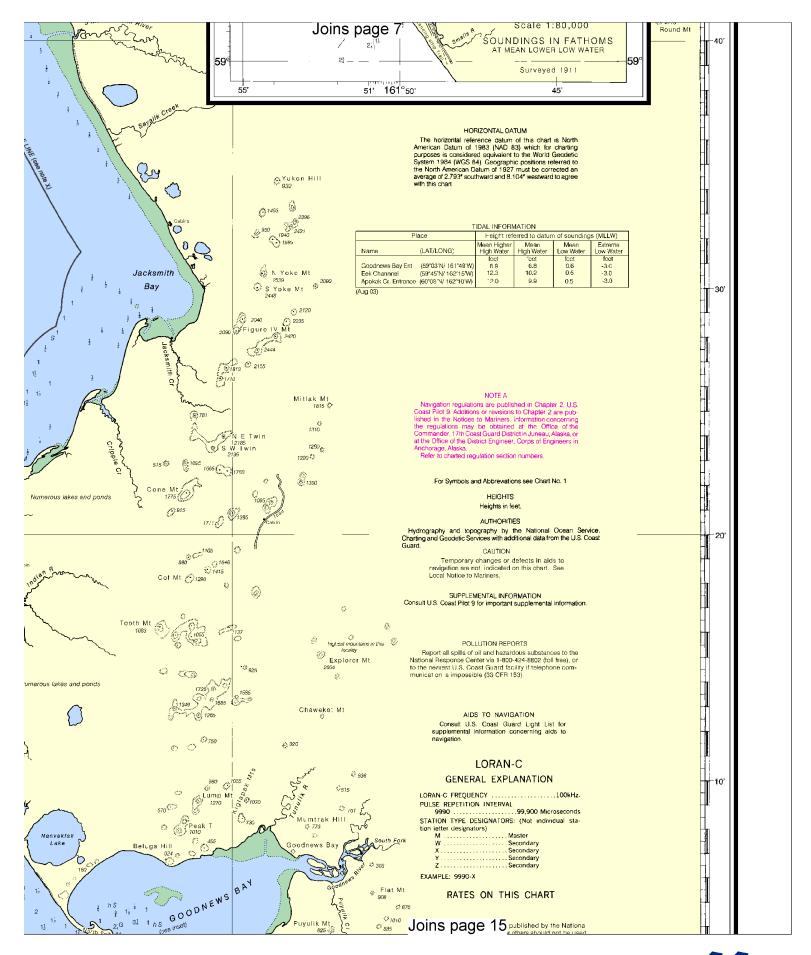


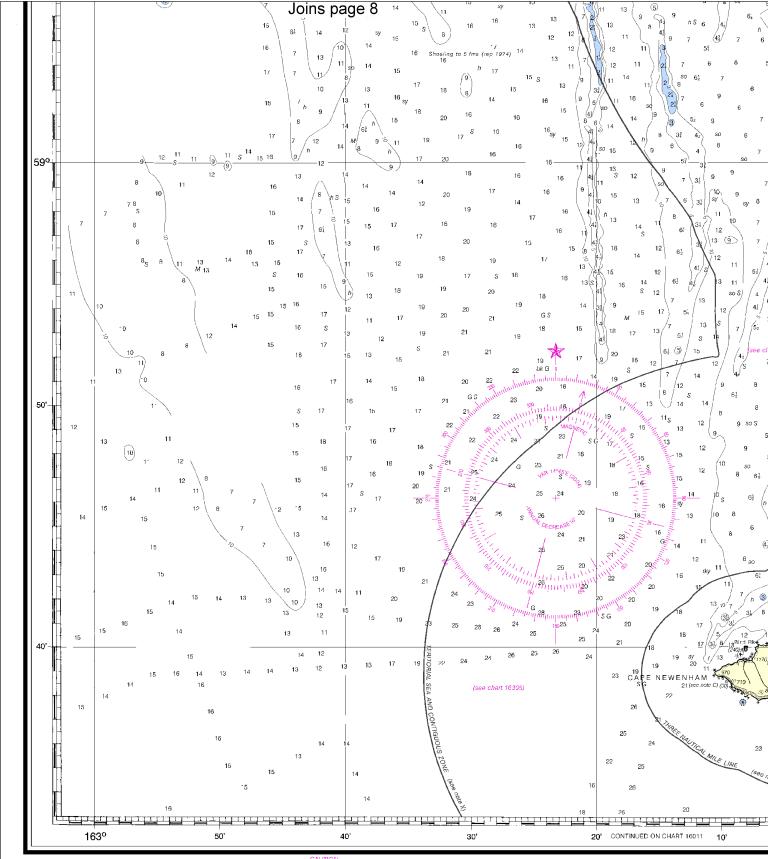












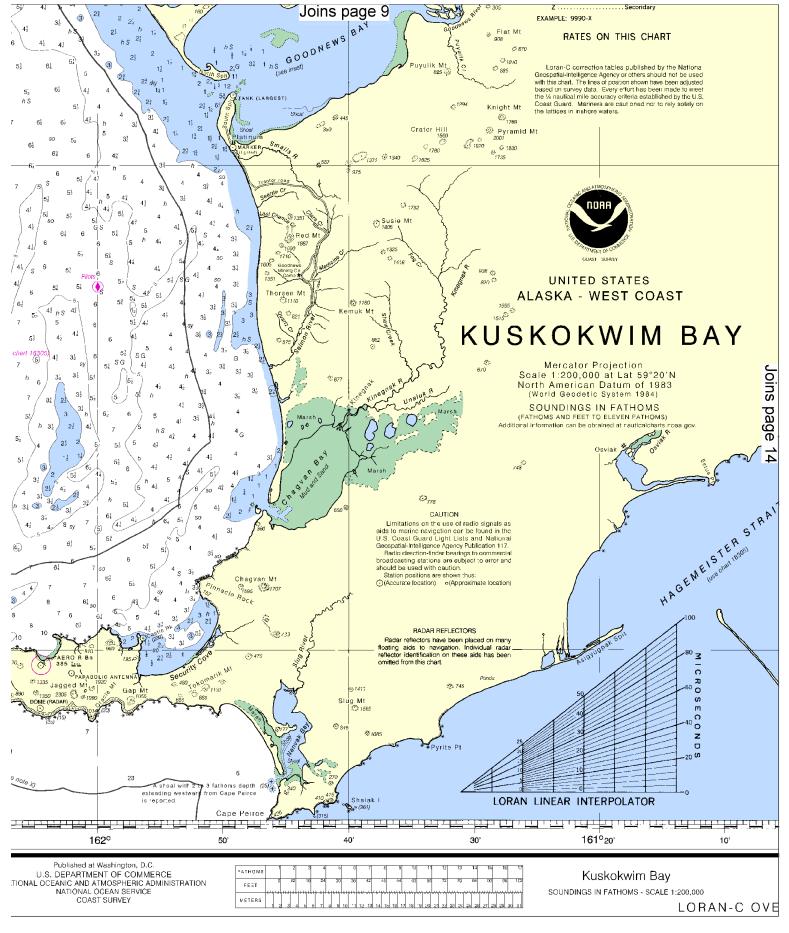
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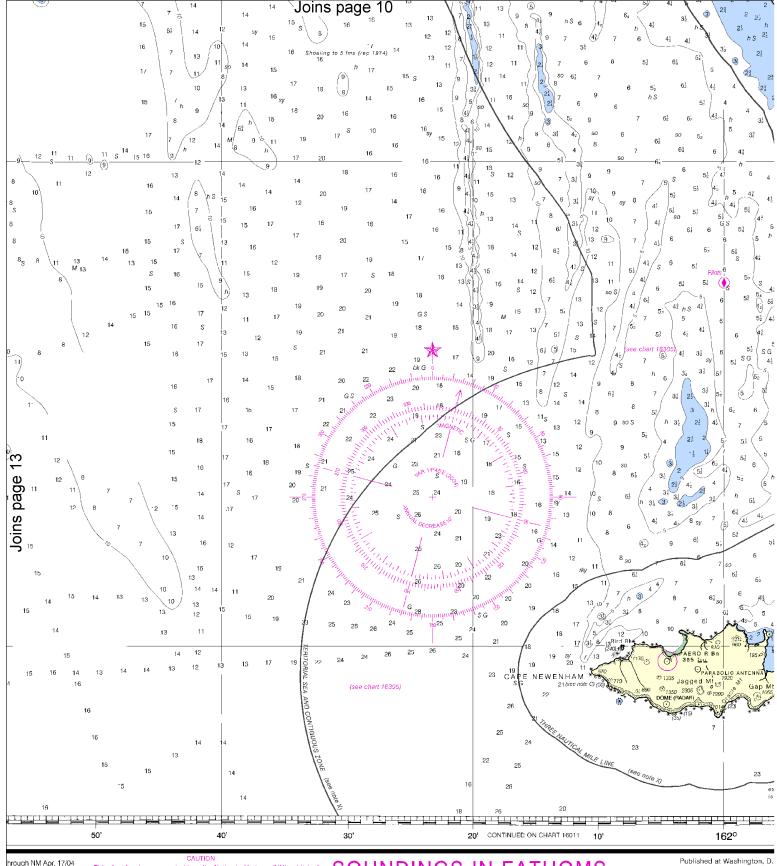
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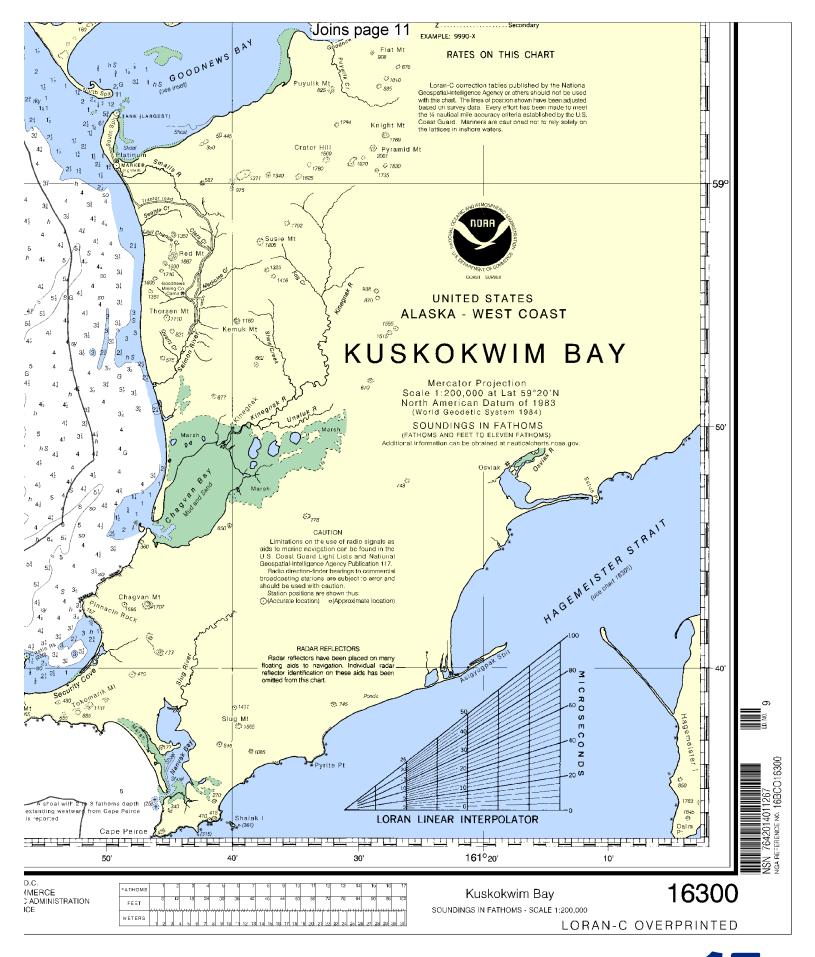
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Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls

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Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Search & Rescue (Pacific Coord) – 510-437-3700

Coast Guard Search & Rescue (RCC Juneau) – 907-463-2000

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